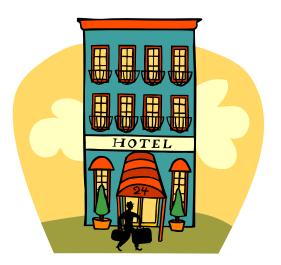
# Washington State WIC Training 2007 Lodging Guidelines

Te encourage and appreciate all efforts taken by staff to reduce travel and per diem expenses. When possible, trainees are encouraged to share hotel rooms with other staff attending training. In addition to being a cost saving measure, it may be a lot of fun and provide more opportunity to network with your peers. Contact the State WIC staff if you would like assistance contacting another trainee who may be seeking a "roommate" during the training week.

- Trainees who are traveling a distance of 50 miles or greater, one way, from their home or clinic (whichever is closest to the Training Center) are eligible for lodging reimbursement.
- Trainees must make their own lodging arrangements using a personal or agency credit card to guarantee reservations. Ask the reservations agent for the "Government Rate". (A list of local hotels is included on the next page.)



- Lodging will be reimbursed at no more than \$76.00 per night, plus taxes. Any amount exceeding this rate will be the responsibility of the trainee or their local WIC agency.
  - 1. One trainee per single room is reimbursed at the actual room cost up to the state per diem total.
  - 2. If two trainees share a double room, they <u>must</u> split the cost of the room. Each <u>must</u> turn in a receipt for their portion of the costs.
- An original lodging receipt will be required by the State for lodging reimbursement. Staff may request additional copies from the motel if their local agency also needs an original motel receipt.
- Lodging reimbursement will <u>not</u> be paid to trainees staying with friends or family.

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 Trainees may request reimbursement for lodging one night prior to the first day training if they would have to begin travel prior to 7:00 am on the day of the training. Staff should also obtain authorization from their coordinator to assure that weekend travel is permissible in their agency.

Persons requiring special accommodations (i.e. breastfeeding or daycare) please contact Sara Knight 1-800-841-1410 (x3664) or (360) 236-3664 or via email at <a href="mailto:sara.knight@doh.wa.gov">sara.knight@doh.wa.gov</a>.

### **Lodging Options near WIC Training Center**

Here are some lodging options while attending WIC Training in Olympia. Staff may choose other options if desired.

#### **Extended Stay America\***

(360) 754-6063 1675 Mottman Rd SW Tumwater WA 98512

#### Comfort Inn

(360) 352-0691 1620 74<sup>th</sup> Ave SW Tumwater WA 98501

### **Best Western Tumwater Inn**

(360) 956-1235 5188 Capitol Blvd SE Tumwater WA 98501

#### **West Coast Hotels**

(360) 943-4000 2300 Evergreen Park Dr Olympia WA 98502

Visit <u>www.hotels.com</u> for a full listing of area hotels.



Remember to ask for "Government Rates" when making your lodging reservations.

<sup>\*</sup>This is the hotel we prefer you stay at, although you are not required to do so. If you do, ask for the "State Contracted Rate" rather than the "Government Rate."